
THE ACTS CHURCH 2:42
"EXPERIENCE REAL CHURCH"

# TEXT: *2 Peter 1:12-2:9 KJV*

Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth. (13) Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance; (14) Knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me. (15) Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance. (16) For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty. (17) For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. (18) And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount. (19) We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: (20) Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. (21) For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost. (2:1) But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. (2) And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. (3) And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not. (4) For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; (5) And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly; (6) And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly; (7) And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked: (8) (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds;) (9) The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

# INTRO: *The Power And Coming Of Our Lord Jesus Christ*

***2 Peter 1:2 KJV*** *Grace and peace be multiplied* unto you ***through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,***
***2 Peter 1:3 KJV*** According as his divine power hath given unto us *all things that pertain unto life and godliness,* ***through the knowledge of him that hath called us*** to glory and virtue:

***"through the knowledge of him"***

***2 Peter 1:4 KJV*** ***Whereby are given*** unto us *exceeding great and precious promises*: that by these ye might be *partakers of the divine nature*, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

***2 Peter 1:5-11 KJV***
And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your **faith**, **virtue**, **knowledge**, **temperance**, **patience**, **godliness**, **brotherly kindness** and **charity**.
(8) For if these things be in you, and abound, they make *you that ye shall* **neither** *be* **barren nor unfruitful** ***in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ***.
(9) But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins. (10) ***Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall: (11) For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.***

# I. *We Made Known to You The Power And Coming Of Our Lord Jesus Christ*

***2 Peter 1:16-21 KJV***
For ***we have not followed cunningly devised fables***, when we made known unto you ***the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ***, but

were ***eyewitnesses of his majesty***. (17) For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. (18) And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were ***with him in the holy mount***. (19) We have also a more ***sure word of prophecy***; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: (20) ***Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation***. (21) For ***the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost***.

## We were Eyewitnesses of His Majesty

## We Have a Sure Word of Prophecy

# II. There Were and There Shall Be False Prophets

***2 Peter 2:1-3 KJV***

But there were false prophets also among the people, ***even as there shall be false teachers among you***, who privily ***shall bring in damnable heresies***, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. (2) And ***many shall follow their pernicious ways***; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. (3) And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

***Lost Gospel Revealed***; Says Jesus Asked Judas to Betray Him

***The Gospel of Judas Iscariot***

*The gospel "is an intriguing alternative view of the relationship between Jesus and Judas," Emmel said. It also has Jesus relating a new creation myth and*

*account of humankind's origins to Judas, which suggest God didn't create the world, contrary to conventional Christian belief.*

***IN my lifetime –***

prayer and bible reading were removed from the public schools
The theory of evolution was introduced into public education
With the absence of Bible in schools –

- ***Evolution*** has been taught as fact and ***Creation*** belittled as a fairy tale
- ***Big Bang Theory*** removed God and therefore Jesus must be a myth
- No need for a ***Savior*** since ***He*** is only a myth
- ***Abortion*** on demand is "a right" regardless that it ***Kills A Life***
- ***homosexuality*** is being taught and ***accepted*** as normal and legit
- ***Christianity*** is a religion of ***Domestic Terrorism***

***2 Peter 2:1 KJV***

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## *What a Day we live in!*

## *Living in the Lasts Days is Exhilarating!*

# III. *The Lord Knows!*

***2 Peter 2:9 KJV***

The Lord knoweth how to ***deliver the godly*** out of temptations, and to ***reserve the unjust*** unto the day of judgment to be punished:

***2 Peter 2:4-8 KJV***

**For if God** ***spared not the angels*** that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto

judgment: (5) And ***spared not the old world***, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly; (6) And turning the cities of ***Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes*** condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly; (7) And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked: (8) (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds;)

***2 Peter 2:9 KJV***

***The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly*** out of temptations, and to ***reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment*** to be punished:

***Jude 1:24-25 KJV***

Now unto him that is able ***to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory*** with exceeding joy, (25) To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

# IV. *Imminent or Expectant?*

***2 Peter 1:14-15 KJV***

Knowing that shortly ***I must put off this my tabernacle***, even ***as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me***. (15) Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able ***after my decease*** to have these things always in remembrance.

***2 Peter 3:11-13 KJV***

Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, (12) ***Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?*** (13) Nevertheless WE, according to his promise, ***look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness***.

Knowing that death or any event must happen first ***does not diminish Peter's Blessed Hope***… Our Life, our Hope, our Expectations must be with a ***Christian World View!*** We look at the events from a biblical perspective and ***even our death does not change God's plan for His Church and His Creation.***

***2 Corinthians 5:6-11 KJV***

Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: (7) (For ***we walk by faith***, ***not by sight***:) (8) We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. (9) Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. (10) For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. (11) ***Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord***, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences.

## THERE IS LIFE BEYOND THE GRAVE FOR THE CHILD OF GOD!

***Job 14:14 KJV***

***If a man die, shall he live again?*** all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.

***John 11:23-27 KJV***

Jesus saith unto her, **Thy brother shall rise again.** (24) Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. (25) Jesus said unto her, ***I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:*** (26) ***And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?*** (27) She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.